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Gov. Perdue Launches NCOpenbook.gov

Gov. Bev Perdue today launched the first wave of NCOpenBook.gov, a government transparency website for searching state contracts and grants. Gov. Perdue signed Executive Order No. 4 on January 12, her first day in office, ordering the creation of NC OpenBook.

"In the 21st century online accessibility and transparency should be the standard for public information," Perdue said. "We're going to let the sun shine in on state contracts."

NCOpenBook.gov provides a database of approximately 2,500 state contracts and 5,000 grants that are now available in a searchable format. The Office of State Budget and Management is working with state agencies and departments to streamline their contract databases so that North Carolina will have a comprehensive searchable database online this year on NC OpenBook.gov.

In addition to state contracts and grants, NCOpenBook.gov will feature detailed information about state agency performance measures and planning as outlined in Executive Order No. 3.

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